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A SERIOUS ACCIDENT

Four Young Ladies Hurt in an Automobile Wreck

Mrs. Henry Joyner, Miss Vera Taylor, Miss Christine Lowrance and Miss Ruth Hill were the unfortunate victims of an automobile accident last Saturday afternoon. All four of the young ladies were more or less seriously hurt.

They live in Buena Vista and had been to Huntingdon shopping, and the accident occurred on their return home. Near the home of S. W. Johnson, out on the Huntingdon and Buena Vista road, there is a very dangerous place in the road. There is a short turn, a sandbar, bad approach to a narrow, unbanistered bridge over a deep ravine. The young lady driving the car, lost control of her machine as she approached the bridge, and the car turned over into the deep ditch, pinning the young ladies beneath it.

Several men, who happened to be near by, rushed to their assistance and rescued them from their terrible plight. The car had to be lifted off of some of the parties. Two were found in an unconscious condition and remained so for some time.

Drs. B. C. Dodds, and R. A. Douglas, of Huntingdon, and Dr. L. D. Murphy, of Buena Vista, were called and hastened to the scene of the accident. All were found to be seriously hurt, but no bones broken. Two were able to be carried home that afternoon, the other two were carried to the home of Mr. Johnson.

Miss Taylor is the daughter of W. T. Taylor, Miss Lowrance the daughter of K. L. Lowrance and Miss Hill resides with Mr. Lowrance. Mrs. Joyner's husband has been in overseas service and was expected home the first of the week.

PLAN EVANGELISTIC DRIVE

Methodists to Use Centenary Organization to Get Members

The next stage in the Methodist centenary movement will be a church-wide evangelistic movement near Easter of next year, for which preparations are now under way.

The centenary organization will be utilized and much the same methods will be employed as in the financial drive.

The week of August 24-31 is to be observed as "enlistment week," during which an effort will be made to sign up much of the Methodist membership in the "fellowship of intercession" with the evangelist drive as the goal of prayer.

Leaders of the church say it is not too much to expect the Easter drive to result in 500,000 accessions to the church.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Interesting Contest Over Location of Parsonage

The Lexington District Conference of the M. E. church, south, held a two days' session in Camden last week. Rev. S. F. Wynn, of Lexington, preached the opening sermon. A large number of preachers and delegates were in attendance. Much business was transacted during the sessions that were held. Rev. Sullivan, the presiding elder of the district, presided.

It was expected that the location of the district parsonage would be settled, but it was not. There was a proposition of the Lexington people made to the conference in which they offered to give two thousand dollars if the church outside of Lexington would give a like amount and this fund with the \$1,136.36 which they have on hand from the sale of the old parsonage

would give them a parsonage worth \$5,000, and it to be located at Lexington. However, this was left for the lay leaders of the different churches to ascertain the wishes of their members as to whether or not they would be willing to pay their quota and report later. S. L. Peeler was elected as a trustee of the parsonage in place of Mr. Enoch, who resigned, having removed to Jackson.

Mr. Allie V. Bowles offered to furnish a house for the presiding elder free of charge until some arrangement could be made for a permanent home for the presiding elder. No action was taken on the proposition. The presiding elder now resides at Jackson, outside of the Lexington district, which the members of the church of the district do not approve, and are making an effort to have him reside inside of the district in the future. However, it looks like they will not be able to get him a home in the district before conference meets in Memphis in November. A large crowd was present and all seemed to enjoy themselves very much. And the people of the town enjoyed having them.

FINE SCHOOL SPIRIT

Much Interest in High Schools of County

The County High School Board held an enthusiastic get-together meeting last Monday. The county superintendent had asked the high schools of the county to send to this meeting representatives that the high school situation in the county might be gone over, discussed and plans suggested for more efficient work in the future. Each school had a strong delegation here, and among them were some of our very best citizens, which speaks well for our school interest.

The situation was gone over very thoroughly, the needs of the various schools discussed, and improvements, wherever possible, suggested. A fine spirit was manifested and much interest was shown in the success of the schools represented.

It is very gratifying to find so many of our very best citizens connected in an official capacity, with the school work of the county. This argues well for our schools, but it is no more than it should be, for no interest is more vital than that of the education of the children of our county.

Stock Brings Coin

There has perhaps been more money brought into the Trezevant community this year from hogs, cattle and sheep than during any previous year. One or more car loads each week are shipped to the northern markets, and hogs are bringing the highest prices on record. A large per cent of the farmers now grow hogs for the market and many townsmen are feeding herds of hogs for shipping.

HUNTING FOR OIL

Bring Now in Nine Counties in Tennessee

In a special from Nashville it is claimed that Tennessee is going through an oil boom of her own.

The Texas fields have overshadowed the multitude of new borings in the Middle West Tennessee until the Reelfoot Lake boom came to light several days ago.

Wells are being sunk in Dickson, Robertson and Montgomery counties by experienced oil men. Over 20 wells are going down in different sections of West and Middle Tennessee.

Dr. Bruce Wade of the state geological survey has returned from a trip in West Tennessee, where he went over part of Madison and Carroll counties and will give out a bulletin on oil conditions in a day or two.

The borings now being made include Dickson, Franklin, Lincoln, Hickman, Montgomery, Humphreys, Trousdale, Pickett and Scott counties.

Scott county now has the only field in the state producing oil in an appreciable amount. They are familiarly known as the Glenmary fields and six wells are now producing. One small well is located in Pickett county, near Winfield. One well producing oil is located within four miles of White Bluff, but it has been capped and no effort will be made to pump oil until other wells are sunk in adjacent territory.

Tipton Comes Across

Success of the Memphis-to-Bristol highway was given increased assurance when Tipton county voted a \$150,000 bond issue for good roads last week. Of this sum \$30,000 will be expended on a six-mile stretch of the Bristol highway, which runs through the southeastern corner of the county.

Fayette county has not yet provided for the eleven miles of the proposed route, which runs through a remote corner of that county, but it is believed she will do so before long. Then the entire route through West Tennessee will be provided for with the exception of Benton county.

Hooper for Chancellor

B. W. Hooper, former governor of Tennessee, has announced his candidacy for the chancellorship of the Thirteenth Chancery division, which division was created at the last session of the legislature. Ex-Gov. Hooper and W. P. Monroe of Maynardville, Union county, are the only candidates who have announced for the office to date.

The Thirteenth Chancery division is composed of the following counties: Blount, Cocke, Grainger, Hamblen, Jefferson, Sevier and Union.

AN ELECTION CALLED

Governor Sets Day to Vote on Constitution Convention

A proclamation was issued by Governor Roberts Saturday naming September 4 as the date when the state would hold an election to determine whether a constitutional convention will be held or not.

In case the election favors holding a convention, delegates will be selected October 6, and the convention will be held November 15. Delegates will receive \$4 a day and round trip railroad fare.

Following is the proclamation:

"Whereas, Chapter 138 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the state of Tennessee of 1919, approved April 17, 1919, authorizes the people to decide by vote whether they will call a constitutional convention, and provides for the submission of said question to the voters of the state, and for the announcement of the result; and, "Whereas, Section 4 of said act makes it the duty of the governor to issue a proclamation to the several commissioners of election, or other proper officers under the law in the state and counties thereof, requiring that such election under said act be opened and held for the purposes therein named:

"Now, therefore, I, A. H. Roberts, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby authorize and direct the State Board of Elections, and the several county boards of elections in all the counties of Tennessee to open and hold the election provided for in said act within legal hours, at all voting precincts in this state, on the first Thursday in September, 1919, being September 4, 1919, making due return thereof as required by said act.

"All state and county election officers in this state shall take due notice hereof, and of said act, and govern themselves accordingly.

"In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the state to be affixed at the Capitol, in the City of Nashville, on the 17th day of July 1919.

"A. H. ROBERTS, Governor.

"IKE B. STEVENS,

"Secretary of State."

Loses His Chickens

T. T. Morgan, a farmer living six miles north of town, had his chicken roost visited and relieved of 55 thoroughbred White Orpington chickens, frying size. The thievery is believed to be the work of local talent. During the night Mr. Morgan heard an automobile drive up to his house, heard it stop and then heard it start on later, and the next morning the chickens were gone. The owner of the chickens is one of the most accommodating men in all the county. It is said of him in former years that a neighbor came to borrow a sack from him to take some

corn to the mill. Not having but one sack, and it already filled to go to the mill himself, he emptied the sack, and waited until his neighbor came back with the sack, and then refilled it and went with his own grist. If a neighbor had need of a chicken Mr. Morgan would have given without stint. In view of such neighborly kindness the act of the thief looks all the worse, particularly if he lives in this community.

Court to Meet

A special from Camden says: "Judge S. A. Clement, of the Benton county court, has called a special meeting of the court for Friday, July 25, to consider the road question, with the idea of issuing road bonds. A warm session will surely be held, as Judge Clement has overruled the former motion to call a special election on August 9."

Benton county has a pretty hot fight on the road question, and we hope it will be settled in such a way that the Memphis-to-Bristol highway will be taken care of and completed through the county.

BAPTISTS ALLOT QUOTA

Big Appropriations for Denominational Work

Quotas of the various states which are expected to contribute their share of the \$75,000,000 fund to be raised by the Southern Baptists for the furtherance of their work were fixed last week at a conference held in Nashville.

The apportionments to the different states follow:

Alabama, \$4,000,000; Arkansas, \$3,200,000; District of Columbia, \$200,000; Florida, \$1,000,000; Georgia, \$7,500,000; Illinois, \$1,200,000; Kentucky, \$6,500,000; Louisiana, \$3,225,000; Maryland, \$750,000; Mississippi, \$2,500,000; Missouri, \$2,925,000; New Mexico, \$250,000; North Carolina, \$5,500,000; Oklahoma, \$2,500,000; South Carolina, \$5,500,000; Tennessee, \$4,000,000; Texas, \$16,000,000.

Allotments of the \$75,000,000 to be raised during the campaign were made as follows:

Foreign missions, \$20,000,000; home missions, \$12,000,000; seminaries and training schools of the church, \$3,000,000; aged ministers' relief, \$2,500,000. The remainder will be appropriated to the different states for state needs, in proportion to the amount contributed by them.

A Young Preacher

Rev. Marsh Harris preached to a large audience at the Baptist church in Trezevant last Sunday. Rev. Harris is only 21 years old and is an old Trezevant boy, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Harris, having resided there until about four years ago. Rev. Harris has been preaching since he was 17 and his sermon was greatly enjoyed by the large audience Sunday.

BORE FOR OIL

Effort to Find Oil on State Property at Reelfoot Lake

At a conference held Saturday between Gov. A. H. Roberts and T. O. Morris, of Obion county, all arrangements for the lease of the Reelfoot Lake property to W. H. Newberry, an oil magnate of Texas, were completed. Under the terms of the contract with the state Mr. Newberry agrees to begin drilling for oil in six months. For this property he is to pay the state \$10,000 a year, but in the event he finds oil in commercial quantities the state is to receive one-eighth part of the oil. The lease calls for 35,000 acres. Under the terms of the contract Mr. Newberry is to perfect all guaranties before beginning operations. He agrees to drill to a depth of 3,000 feet if necessary in search for the oil. The first well must be completed by September 1, 1920, and there must under no circumstances be any interference with the fishing in the lake.

Mr. Morris represents Mr. Newberry's interest and also the interest of the West Tennessee Land Company, a concern that has leased several thousand acres of land adjacent to the lake to Mr. Newberry.

Mr. Morris agrees on behalf of Mr. Newberry to all the terms of the contract, thus safeguarding the state's interest, and it only remains now to secure the signature of Mr. Newberry to the instrument. The Texas banks will be asked to guarantee Mr. Newberry's financial standing.

Under the terms of the contract Mr. Newberry will be privileged to drill on land or in the lake.

LOOKING OVER ROADS

Particular Attention Given to Memphis-to-Bristol Highway

Members of the State Highway Commission made a trip through East Tennessee counties looking over the roads in general and paying particular attention to the route of the Memphis-to-Bristol highway. With the report from Hawkins and other counties made recently the completion of the cross-state highway is assured, according to members of the commission. Considerable attention is now being paid the main roads leading into both the Memphis-Bristol and Dixie highway, for which plans have been made by the engineering department of the commission.

The completion of the Memphis-to-Bristol highway and the main roads leading into the highway would certainly furnish a mighty fine road system through the state.

CITY MARSHAL RESIGNS

Is Elected Truant Officer for the Schools of the County

Connie Boyd, who has been city marshal of Huntingdon for some time, tendered his resignation last Monday, which was accepted by the mayor and aldermen, and the town is now without a city marshal. The board has taken no action as to his successor and perhaps will not do so for a while yet. We understand there was no friction between the board and the outgoing marshal.

Mr. Boyd, the same day, was elected county truant officer by the County Board of Education, and he will at once assume his duties in this office. It is his duty to enforce the compulsory school law in the county. Heretofore there has not been universal attention given to this law by the school patrons of the county. Mr. Boyd had been assured this office before deciding to give up the other.

The Grand Leader

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A visit to the store this week is certain to reveal something of particular interest to you.

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